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Jump into the work force early at Career Fair

ACACIA MOLL
NEWS STRINGER

A record number of employers is set to attend the October Career Fair.

For students wanting to get a head start on job opportunities, the October Career Fair will be the perfect place to begin.

"Nearly 140 companies will be represented at the career fair,

which greatly exceeds our thoughts and goals for the fair," Career Development Center Director Jean Paterson said.

"We have a lot more employers than usual. Last year there were only 88 companies, which shows a big increase for just one year.

"With such a big increase in employers, it shows that they are looking more at recruiting our students and giving them more

opportunities," she added.

The October Career Fair takes place from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Vadalabene Center. This fair will give students the chance to investigate future career possibilities.

Job-seekers are encouraged to attend the fair and talk with employers about opportunities with their companies. Students

should be well prepared and ready to talk about themselves.

"Students definitely need to do research on the companies before they come to the fair in order to be prepared to talk to the employers," Paterson said. "(Students) must also bring enough copies of their resumes to hand out to the companies."

If any students need help with resumes, they should go to

the Career Development Center. The center offers assistance in critiquing resumes.

The Career Development Center will be open for walk-in resume critiques on Monday and Tuesday but it is highly suggested that students seeking assistance do so as soon as possible.

Students should come to the
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Student faces assault charge after altercation

STEVE BRITT
NEWS REPORTER

An SIUE student was charged with aggravated assault Sunday evening.

Valoria Danielle Fuller, a freshman in the College of Arts and Sciences, was arrested around 6:30 p.m. after an altercation with a male student in Prairie Hall.

"It appears they were acquaintances. It stemmed from some e-mail messages and went awry from there," SIUE police Capt. Tony Bennett said.

Fuller used a "chrome, retractable knife with 3.5-inch blade," Bennett said.

She was first charged with unlawful use of a weapon, but that was later reduced to a misdemeanor assault charge, which was served to her while in Madison County Jail.

Illinois law states that the maximum punishment for aggravated assault, a Class A misdemeanor, is imprisonment for less than one year.

Fuller posted \$500 bond and was released Monday.

Out with the old, in with the new Student helps build new Busch Stadium beside old

ZACH GROVES
NEWS EDITOR

Paul Berns is making history -- while destroying it.

A senior construction management major at SIUE, Berns is a superintendent in the building of the new Busch Stadium where the St. Louis Cardinals will play next year. He is also participating in demolishing the old stadium.

While the expected completion date is April, Berns said his employer, Hunt Construction, is "ahead of schedule."

"The way the layout is, it is general knowledge that the old stadium sits where the new stadium is going to go," he said. "What it's called right now is phase one, and once we demolish

the old stadium, (it is) part of phase two. Basically it is around-the-clock work."

According to ballparks.com, the projected cost for the new stadium is \$344.8 million, with funds coming from the taxpayers, the Cardinals and Anheuser-Busch. The stadium will also seat a little more than 46,000, smaller than the 49,676 in the old one.

Berns said he and the builders are still installing seats, especially since the others cannot be placed until the old stadium comes down.

"We are still finding sites for seats," he said. "We are still designing it, obviously. It's a design-build project.

"It's more of a 'we would like to add this' or 'take out this' it's kind of the way it is," he added. "That's the name of the

game, especially on design and build projects. That's the point. You want to please the owner, please the Cardinals and make it a great stadium for the public."

The burning question for Cardinals management recently was whether to use a wrecking ball instead of dynamite to take it down.

Berns said dynamite was an option, but the wrecking ball played a more significant role in the time needed to finish the new stadium.

"It was weighed heavily by the Cardinals, by Hunt, by all the parties," he said. "Demolishing it the conventional way would be to our advantage as far as construction goes.

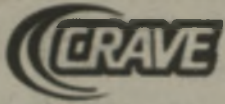
"It was the better alternative," he said.

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KATY HARTWIG/ALESTLE

The St. Louis Cardinals logo, top left, will highlight each row of seats as fans file into the new Busch Stadium this spring. Meanwhile, construction continues, above, on the new playing field next to the old Busch Stadium.



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Biotechnology Laboratory Incubator in the works, set to open in December



KATIE GROTH/ALESTLE

The Biotechnology Laboratory Incubator, above, is under construction and will open in December. Once it is operational, it will serve as a home for wet labs and is located next to the National Corn-to-Ethanol plant.

CORY FREEMAN
NEWS STRINGER

SIUE could become a place of scientific discovery once the Biotechnology Laboratory Incubator is completed.

R.W. Boeker Company, Inc., began the \$1.6 million construction project approximately two months ago. The building is located on University Park Drive next to the National Corn-to-Ethanol Research Center.

Funding for the incubator came from the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity.

"We're trying to take advantage of the presence of the university to help encourage small enterprises engaged in scientific activity," University Park Executive Director Brian Donnelly said.

The incubator will house as

many as 12 biology, chemistry or biochemical laboratories. These "wet labs" will be leased to small plant and life science companies.

The first wet lab will be a model biology lab to be completed and open for lease in December, according to Donnelly. Other wet labs, built to tenant specifications, will be installed in other portions of the building as space is leased.

The creation of the incubator is in response to a shortage of wet labs that can be leased to smaller companies. It is the first of its kind in the Metro East.

Other plant and life science activities include the Missouri Botanical Garden, the Donald Danforth Plant Sciences Center and companies such as Monsanto.

These activities tend to cluster to take advantage of collaborative opportunities, highly skilled labor pools and

specialized suppliers, according to a University Park Services press release.

"We hope to make sure that southwestern Illinois is an active participant in crossing new scientific frontiers," Donnelly said.

Donnelly added that there might be student internship opportunities, which is one of the things he "looks and hopes for." While he is confident there will be internship opportunities, he said it is too early to say how many.

Bob Ducker and David Coleman of Christner Incorporated and Rich Janis of William Tao Associates, Consulting Engineers designed the incubator.

Donnelly also said there is nothing new to report on the halted construction of the Spring Green Lodge, also located on University Park Drive.

Immortalizing SIUE one hand at a time



KATIE GROTH/ALESTLE

Workers from 62 Sports Company help freshman Crystal Poirot dip her hand into wax as part of Cougar Craze Wednesday in the Goshen Lounge of the Morris University Center.

Students' off-campus violations can result in consequences on campus

CORY FREEMAN
NEWS STRINGER

Students who run afoul off campus also risk being reported to SIUE.

However, that usually doesn't happen, according to Edwardsville City Administrator Ben Dickmann.

"It is not a matter of routine to have an automatic notification procedure when a student is arrested by Edwardsville police or any other agency," Dickmann said. He was the Edwardsville police chief for 25 years.

Fourteen people, including at least 10 SIUE students, were arrested at a party early Saturday in the 1500 block of Grand Avenue in Edwardsville. The

police report did not specify who attended SIUE.

"The only reason we knew it was a party was that someone there had identified it as a fraternity party," Madison County Sheriff's Department Capt. Donald Bunt said.

Bunt said the department does make a press release available but does not specifically contact the university.

Student Affairs Dean Jim Klenke said students have been disciplined in the past for off-campus infractions.

"It depends on the nature of the incident if it applies to the jurisdiction (of the Student Conduct Code)," Klenke said.

The Conduct Code says

disciplinary action is possible for "off-campus conduct such that the student's conduct substantially interferes with the mission of the university including but not limited to, interference with the educational pursuits of its students, faculty or staff."

Dickmann said police officers may sometimes need additional information that would require contacting the university, however, no notification procedure is required or established.

Student Affairs Vice Chancellor Narbeth Emmanuel said no agency directly contacts the Student Affairs office, and the office is not on a contact list for any police department.

Campus Scanner

Arts and Issues: Get ready for some great old-school jive mixed with horns and New Orleans style jazz with the Big Bad Voodoo Daddy band, 8-10:30 p.m. Friday, in the Morris University Center's Meridian Ballroom. Tickets are \$12 for students and \$24 for general admission. For more information, contact the Fine Arts Box Office at 650-2774, or at artsandissues.com.

Art Therapy: Come learn how the spirit of art affects you as Art Therapist Pat Allen, speaks on the role of an artist and how values color the service. The Spirit of Art: Balm for the Soul in Difficult Times will be from 7 to 9 p.m. Friday, in the Religious Center's Dome Room. For more information, contact Megan Sloat at emmslo@yahoo.com.

Career Fair: Don't miss out on a great opportunity to

meet various employers at the October Career Fair '05 from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, in the Vadalabene Center. Bring at least three resumes and dress professionally. For more information, contact the Career Development Center at careers.siu.edu.

Lunch with a Professor: Students have the chance to become more involved on campus by attending the Lunch with a Professor Series. This enables students to know the faculty while enjoying a free lunch. The series is from noon to 1 p.m. Wednesday, in the Morris University Center's University Restaurant. For more information, contact the MUC at 650-2305.

Taste of Culture: Learn more about culture, food and dance as the St. Louis Bagpipers Association performs for the

Taste of Culture. This event is from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, in the Morris University Center's Goshen Lounge. For more information, contact Alyssa Bodeux at abodeux@siue.edu.

Tobacco Counseling: The American Lung Association of Illinois is providing the Illinois Tobacco Quitline. Registered nurses, respiratory therapists and addiction counselors staff the toll-free line. Counseling is free to residents of Illinois. Those interested should call (866) QUIT-YES. Hot line hours are from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Alcoholics Anonymous: The Gut Level Group will meet at 7 p.m. Saturday in the Religious Center. This is an open meeting of Alcoholics Anonymous and Al-Anon.

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career fair well prepared and professionally dressed.

"This career fair is in a way like a mini interview," Paterson said. "Although you may not get to talk to the employers for more than one minute, it is the first impression that they get of you."

A list of the employers attending the career fair and links to their Web sites can be found on the Career Development Center's Web site at careers.siu.edu

The career fair is open to all students who wish to attend. Employers are searching

for employees from all majors for full-time career positions, co-op positions and internships.

The Career Development Center is located in Founders Hall, Room 3126. For more information, call the center's office at 650-3708.

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Module 7, 2:00 p.m.

Conflict Resolution: Negotiating Differences
Francella Jackson, Office of the Chief of Police
E. St. Louis Police Department
Board Room, MUC

Module 17, 6:30 p.m.

Leading Your Peers
Kenneth Hall, Manager
Schnucks Supermarkets, E. St. Louis, IL
Board Room, MUC

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Employee of the Month

KARA SUSAN MOORE
NEWS STRINGER

Phyllis Brake is the recipient of the September Employee Recognition Award.

Former Assistant Director of Residence Life Ken Greich nominated Brake for this award.

"I nominated Phyllis because she is always the first one to roll up her sleeves when work is needed to be done," Greich said. "Many students are not aware of the extra effort she administers on their behalf."

During her 16 years as a mail messenger, Brake's responsibilities have included delivering mail, locating lost packages and maintaining a close relationship with the Edwardsville Post Office.

"I enjoy working for (University Housing Director) Michael Schultz. He is really a wonderful person to work for," Brake said. "I also enjoy the relationships that I have with the students."



Phyllis Brake

Schultz commends Brake for her hard work and dedication to the students.

"Phyllis is one of those employees behind the scenes, whose hard work sometimes goes unseen," Schultz said. "Dedication to the students is what she strives for. Dedication is her mission."

In recognition, Brake received a framed certificate, a \$25 gift certificate from the University Bookstore, lunch coupons from the University Restaurant and parking privileges near her office for a month.

Traveling evangelist



KATY HARTWIG/ALESTLE

Jed Smock, a religious speaker, presents his take on the Bible in the Quad Wednesday. Smock travels to various campuses to give speeches on religion and faith.

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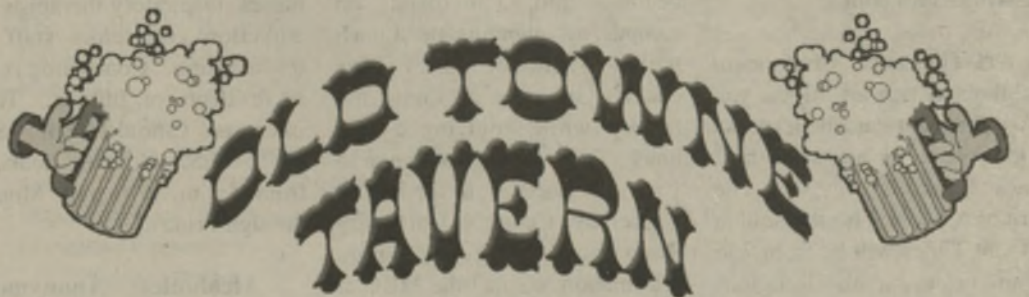
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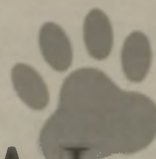
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Smokers need restrictions to kick the habit



As a smoker, my days of lighting up freely may be numbered. I wanted to write a column condemning the possible smoking ban on campus. I wanted to build a case for the persecuted smoker, but honestly, I just couldn't do it.

When I started here, you could still smoke in one wing of Woodland Hall and in most Cougar Village apartments. I know people who remember when you could still smoke in the classrooms and hallways.

Once upon a time, you could even smoke in Wal-Mart, movie theaters and courtrooms.

Now, if you want to smoke inside, you are pretty much limited to your own home, cars, bars and some restaurants. There are restrictions on outdoor smoking, too. I have to leave my seat at Busch Stadium and walk to a little corner by the stairs to get my nicotine fix. Even though it's a pain, I take the opportunity to grab another beer and use the

proposed ban passes in the task force's five-year timeframe, I will be long gone. But that's not my point.

If the ban were passed tomorrow, you can bet I would be doing a lot of whining. I still don't think I would be able to create much of a defense, though.

Smoking is a dirty, nasty habit. I wish I never had started, yet, at this point, I have no real motivation to quit.

in their cars or homes. Good. Maybe if it were less convenient, less readily available and less the norm, teenagers wouldn't start.

I was initially offended when smokers were referred to as an eyesore to campus visitors, but I guess it's true. We are setting an example for younger students, furthering the misconception of smoking being acceptable while slowly killing ourselves. There's nothing attractive about that.

Although I tell myself that I'll quit by the time I graduate, I've seen enough people go their whole lives in denial about their ability to kick the habit. Maybe if smoking were made more difficult by bans and the like, more people would kick the habit and fewer might start.

Courtney Rakers
Editor in Chief

"If the ban were passed tomorrow, you can bet I would be doing a lot of whining. I still don't think I would be able to create much of a defense, though."

restroom.

Now they want to make me go off campus to smoke a cigarette.

I don't really view this as a threat to my personal rights. Realistically, even if the

The antismoking trend is definitely gaining momentum. Even bars in some states have forced their smokers outside. I would be willing to venture that within five years, smokers will pretty much have to get their fix

Musical individualist likes pop music too

AMES, Iowa (U-WIRE) - Your favorite band sucks.

For a long time, that was my motto. Like Jack Black and John Cusack in "High Fidelity," I considered myself an unappreciated scholar who knew more about music than everyone else.

Any time I was at a friend's - or a total stranger's - house, a thorough and blunt critique of his or her music collection was necessary. I was more than happy to give a lengthy dissertation on which bands were amazing and which were utter crap. Yeah, I was that guy.

But a funny thing occurred when I went home a few weekends ago and started going through the sizable pile of CDs I had left at my mom's house. I came to the conclusion that I really wasn't much of a music snob after all. Sure, I've been known to spend hours at a time on the Internet tracking down albums by Czechoslovakian grindcore bands, and I treasure my limited edition Crebain/Leviathan split CD, but I also have Radiohead, Led Zeppelin, Dr. Dre and every Weezer album in my collection. Not exactly the most underground artists out there. Hell, when I was a kid, my favorite album was "Thriller," one of the biggest-selling records of all time.

To this day, there are many

occasions when I wholeheartedly embrace pop music. When I'm down on Welch Avenue throwing back a couple brews, the last thing I want to hear is some underground band - I want Lynyrd Skynyrd, Johnny Cash and Everclear. That's right, I said it - Everclear. I want something everyone can sing along and enjoy themselves to.

It occurred to me the reason I began to delve into the more obscure realms of music,

particularly the heavy-metal genre, isn't because I think knowing who Khanate and Birdflesh are will make me better or cooler than anyone else. It's because I'm always searching for something new to listen to.

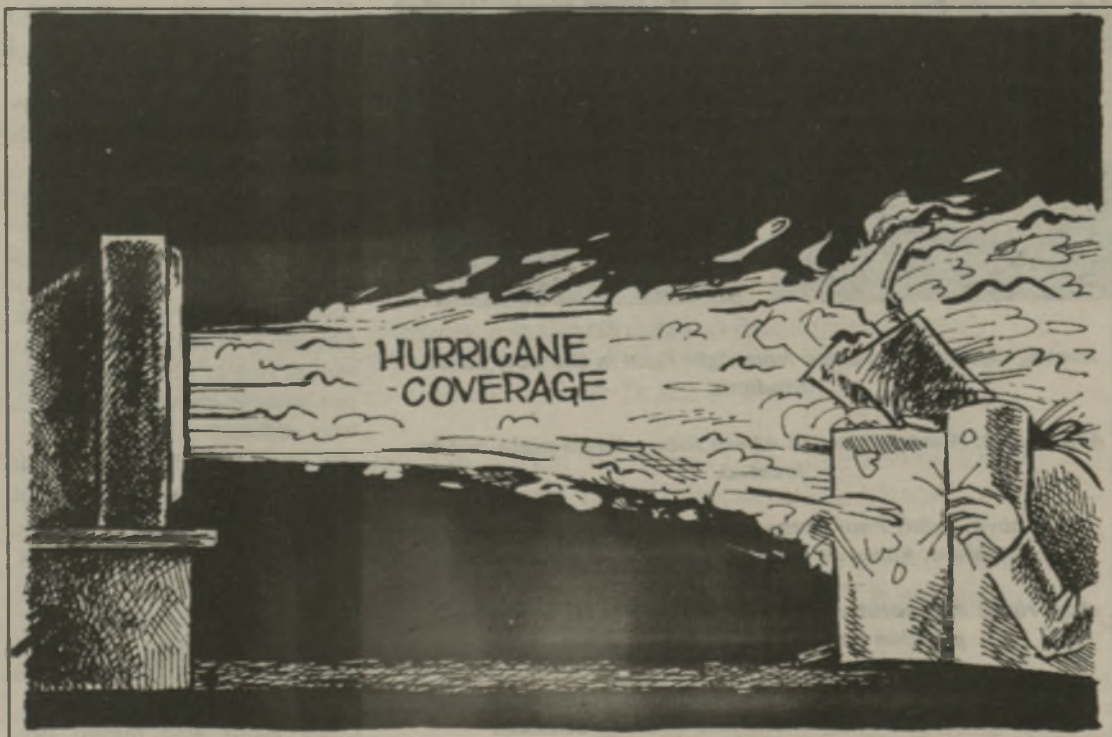
I have no interest in being selfish with my music or keeping it a secret so I can play cooler-than-thou.

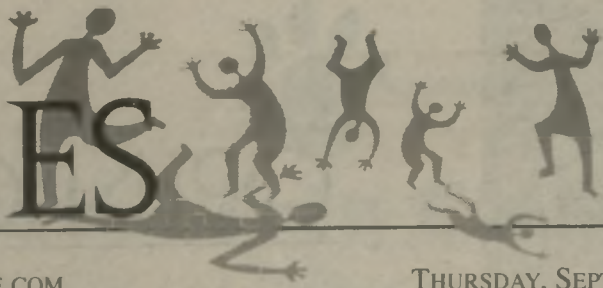
I'm not saying I'm completely cured. Chances are, I'm still going to scoff at you a

bit if I catch you rocking out to Journey, and you'll probably still have to put up with me drunkenly espousing the virtues of Norwegian black metal every once in awhile. Just don't be surprised if you hear me singing along to "The Sweater Song" and "Sweet Home Alabama" afterwards.

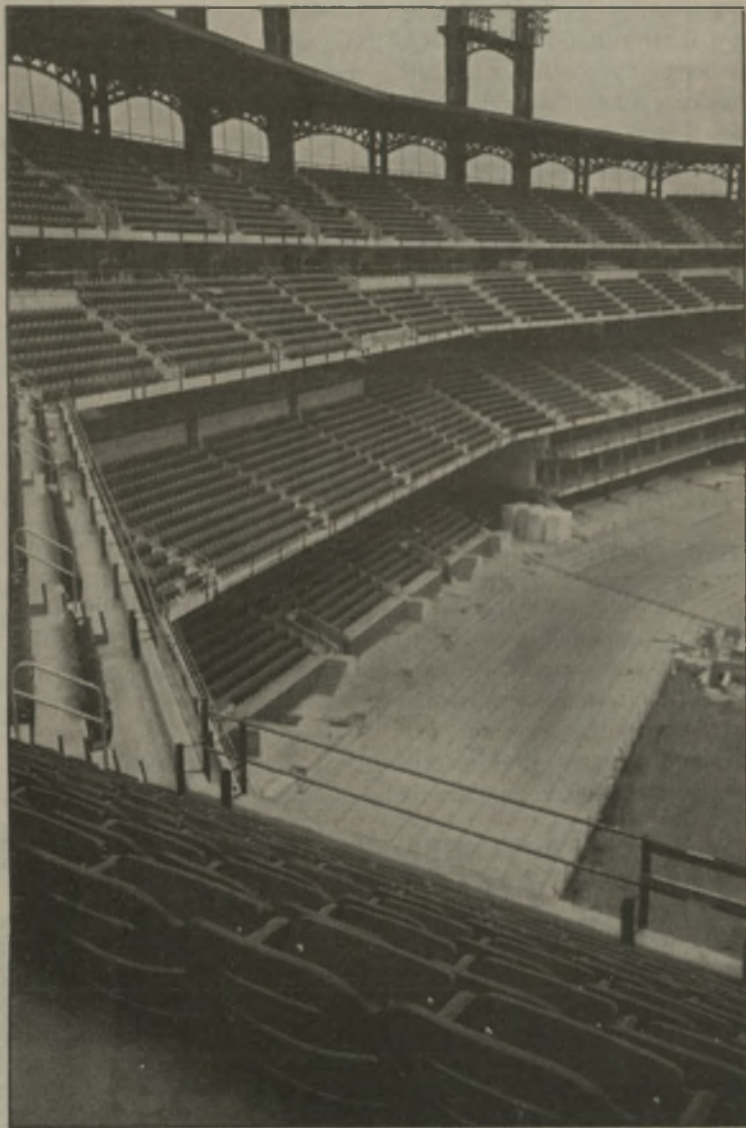
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Please Try Again — Brad Keim





HISTORY IN THE MAKING



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In order for the new park to blend in with the city, Berns said many areas of the stadium were designed and built to look the part. Inside, fans will see several structural resemblances to the Gateway Arch and the Eads Bridge to complement the brick setup.

"What they really tried to capture was the feel for downtown St. Louis. If you walk by, it really does seem to match the background well," he said. "If you noticed, the older buildings have the brick archways around the windows. This stadium is the same.

"(There is) rolled steel on the terrace concourse. When people think of St. Louis, they think of the arch," he added.

In recent weeks, Berns and Hunt Construction completed the overhead lights ranging from the left-field concourse all the way to right field, in which he said that at least 10 grids were installed.

Berns is helping build - literally - a new chapter in St. Louis history, but is also removing a piece of the city's past.

For nearly 40 years, the original Busch Stadium has brought baseball magic and even some football to fans all over the world, from the hot days of summer to freezing winter Sundays.

The park opened in May 1966, years after then-owner August A. Busch, Jr. proposed an effort to redevelop the downtown area, according to the official St. Louis Cardinals Web site.

Since then, the Cardinals have brought home three world championships, seven World Series appearances, seven National League pennants and witnessed several historical moments inside the ballpark.

The stadium had its happy moments, but also suffered its share of pain among the fans.

Busch Stadium underwent major renovations in 1996 and 1997 with the installation of natural grass and a new scoreboard. Areas for the pennants and retired numbers as well as Homer's Landing and the picnic areas above the bullpens were added.

The Cardinals baseball team ruled the stadium's history, but was not the only team to play there. Between 1960-1988, the now-Arizona Cardinals football team packed the stadium every winter, posting numerous winning records, according to nflhistoryguide.com. The St. Louis Rams also played two

games at Busch before moving into the Edward Jones Dome.

Since May 2004, Berns has worked inside the new stadium, overseeing subcontractors and other construction workers in foundation construction and the building of party rooms and suites.

Berns plans to keep working



part time and spend his breaks finishing the new ballpark.

While he has taken part in other large projects, such as the expansion of the Southwest Terminal of the Baltimore/Washington International Airport and the Operating Room and Intensive

Care renovations at Barnes-Jewish Hospital in St. Louis, Berns never saw the finished products.

"The stadium is my first one that I have seen something I helped build and can remember all the phases of construction," he said. "I haven't had that feeling, but I can't wait for it. It's going to be superb."

As he approaches graduation day, Berns may have a full-time job waiting for him with Hunt, whose next projects include the new Washington Nationals baseball stadium in D.C.

"The company I am working for right now is actually the No. 1 sports venue stadium builder in the country," Berns said. "They have talked to me and said they want to hire me."

Overall, the opportunity itself has made his work worthwhile. Once the old stadium is gone and the new one is ready to open, he will be there to enjoy it.

"The main part is opening day. It will be the biggest reward," Berns said. "It's been a good experience all around. It's really priceless."



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Above, top: Looking down from right field in the new Busch Stadium.

Above, left: A marker hangs where future home plate will be located.

Above, right: Paul Berns, a senior in construction management, gazes at what he has helped accomplish.

Top, right: A decorative ceramic tile awaits its permanent position on the side of the stadium.

Right: A crane towers over the old Busch Stadium. It has been used to bring bricks into the new stadium.



The little civilian who could survives gas mask training



PHOTO COURTESY OF CADET CLINTON HILLIGOS

Reporter Steve Britt clears the air as he recovers from gas training with members of the Army ROTC.

STEVE BRITT
NEWS REPORTER

The little-civilian-who-could packed up and shipped out with the Army ROTC for a field training exercise at Fort Leonard Wood in Missouri.

We assembled at noon on Friday and loaded the charter bus with bulging field packs. Cadets literally jumped up and down on their packs to cram last-minute equipment into them.

I learned quickly on the three-hour journey that some things are more valuable than gold in the Army. Of the two Snickers and St. Louis Post newspaper I brought along, I managed to eat half a candy bar and read one section. The rest was distributed among various hungry or bored cadets.

We arrived at the barracks

and assembled into our assigned platoons. "Gateway" cadets arrived an hour late from Washington University. While passing through the ranks, one of the "Gateway" cadets felt the need to scold me for a patch of stubble I missed while in uniform. I hadn't noticed, other cadets hadn't noticed and the SIUE Army ROTC leadership hadn't noticed either. My ego assumed command of the situation and assessed that my pride was the only casualty. A counter-assault from my big mouth ensued. I offered to shave as soon as possible and casually informed him that he was late. Threat neutralized.

The problem, as I saw it, was when you combine two platoons full of future military leaders, there are bound to be a few competing Alpha personalities. Throughout this trip, orders often contradicted each other, with everyone assuming theirs were correct. I don't mind following orders, but arriving late and then bitching at me isn't the best way to win hearts and minds.

The food was good, especially at the D-FAC (dining facilities). We got in line between hungry enlisted Marines. Let me give you a tip; let the big, scary-looking Marines cut in line.

Master Sgt. Ciudad had made special arrangements for me to go through the gas training with the upperclassmen. Sneakily named, Mask Confidence

Course, it's designed to teach soldiers to trust their equipment. Cadet Hilligoss showed me how to strap the gas mask on and how to clear it of foreign particles. You'd hear, "Gas! Gas! Gas," and have nine seconds to rip your mask from the hip-bag, slap it on your face and tighten it down.

We entered the hot, concrete box building with masks on and immediately I could feel the effects of the tear gas. My hands and neck prickled with a burning sensation. After a few jumping jacks, Sgt. First Class Brett Justice told me to open the mask.

**"God bless the USA
and my Cold-Cut
Trio sandwich."**

I did so and gas got in. I closed and cleared it, pulling the straps tighter. I coughed... my face burned a little, my eyes watered... I heard something about "mask off" and cringed. I looked down the line and saw cadets peel their black masks off; a wave of distress crossed their face. I yanked mine off and it was like a bucket of scalding water to the skin. My eyes leaked tears, my nose started running, my face was on fire... I could barely see. Getting dizzy... more coughing, sputtering ... I heard shouting down the line.

An indistinguishable figure stood in front of me and Justice yelled, "What do you want to be?" I yelled back at him, "The F@*& out of this room!" I thought I heard a laugh. Light suddenly beamed through my eyelids and I turned in the direction and filed out.

The next few minutes were blurry as I staggered into the daylight. I heard repeatedly, "Flap your arms! Blink your eyes! Don't touch your face!" My eyes seared with pain and I coughed. My heart was pounding as I stumbled into the fresh air. I instinctively wandered away, arms flapping, from that god-forsaken concrete building. I couldn't think straight. "Flap your eyes! Blink your face! Don't touch your arms!"

Time crawled by slowly, the fire on my skin cooled with each flap. Moving air became my best friend and I tried to maneuver around trees through my watering eyes. Eventually, I could see upperclassmen laughing and taking pictures. Some of the cadets had thrown up, and many had snot down to their knees. It was gross, but it taught me an important lesson. The equipment worked and that I should always stand near an exit.

The next day we did land navigation over acres of wooded, rolling hills littered with baseball size rocks. I tagged along behind Cadet Toney and we walked for

miles over the course of four hours and found two points. The hike was exhausting and my ankles protested each step. Toney was on a rampage to find more points, specifically the elusive Point V (Victor). During our return trip, we stumbled across it, the three-foot high stake, nestled in a valley. We gave the post-named Victor a good shake out of spite and mumbled a few curse words for good measure.

For lunch that afternoon we had an MRE (Meal Ready to Eat), essentially the adult version of Lunchables. As an oversized kid, I was thrilled. It even came with M&M's!

Towers, ropes, logs and walls all waited to be tackled for the confidence course. The United States Army believes that 50-foot towers are an acceptable level of height to be climbing without safety harnesses. Rubber chips were the Army's token safety precaution. Some cadets joked that you wouldn't need a parachute, just rubber chips. I doubted it while managing a death-grip on a wind-swaying tower.

Sunday we left in the pouring rain. The Army treated us to Subway on the way home. God Bless the USA and my Cold-Cut Trio sandwich.

More to come from the little-civilian-who-could as ROTC continues with Tae Bo-style workouts and a lab on military orders.

October is...

October 1-23 – Annual Faculty Exhibit, New Wagner Gallery, Art and Design Building, Reception Saturday, October 22, 6:30-8:00p.m.

October 2, 6:00 p.m. – An Evening With Duke Ellington, Friends of Music Jazz Event, Meridian Ballroom, Morris University Center.

October 4, 2:00 p.m. – Public Lecture; Christopher Kahler, painter, Eastern Illinois University, Atrium, Art and Design Building.

October 12-15, 7:30 p.m. – *Blur*, by Melanie Marnich, directed by Chuck Harper, University Theater, Dunham Hall.

October 13, 1:00 p.m. – Sculpture on Campus 2005-2006 Season, Guest Juror Lecture, Atrium, Art and Design Building.

October 14, 4:00 p.m. – Sculpture on Campus 2005-2006 Season, Sculpture Walk, Starting at the Art and Design Building.

October 15-16 – Art East, Edwardsville-Alton Studio Tour, Alton Area.

October 16, 2:00 p.m. – *Blur*, by Melanie Marnich, directed by Chuck Harper, University Theater, Dunham Hall.

October 17, 7:30 p.m. – Coffee Concert, Meridian Ballroom, Morris University Center.

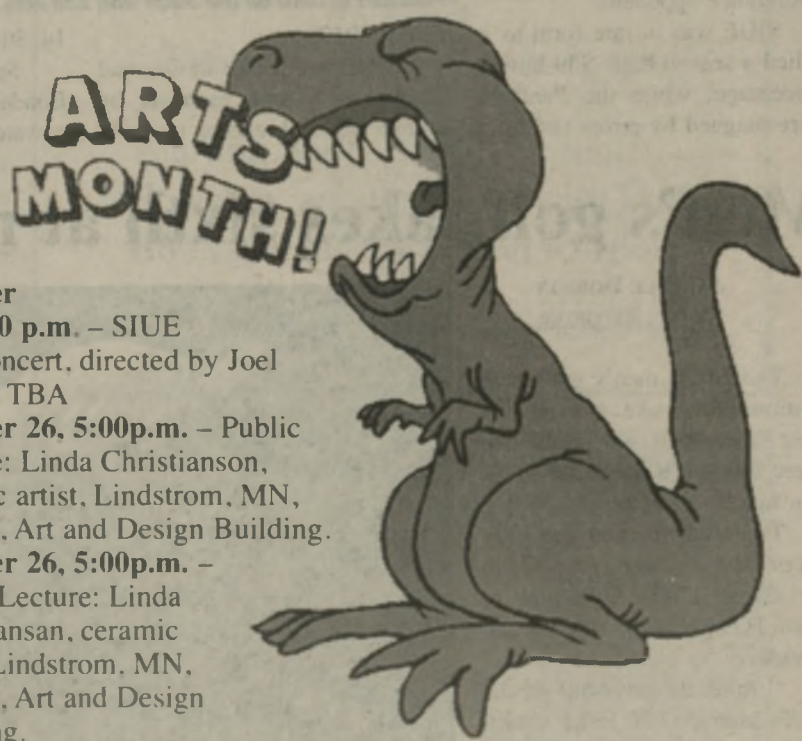
October 19, 11:30-1:00 – Chalk One Up For The Arts-Sidewalk Art- Outside the Morris University Center-Prizes.

October 20, 11:30-1:00 – Chalk One Up For The Arts (Rain Date) –Sidewalk Art-Outside the Morris University Center-Prizes.

October 21, 7:30 p.m. – University Orchestra Concert, conducted by Michael Mishra, Dunham Hall Theater.

October 22, 6:30-8:00 p.m. – Annual Faculty Exhibit, Reception, New Wagner Gallery, Art and Design Building.

October 22-23 – Art East, Edwardsville-Alton Studio Tour, Edwardsville Area.



October

25, 7:30 p.m. – SIUE Fall Concert, directed by Joel Knapp, TBA

October 26, 5:00p.m. – Public Lecture: Linda Christianson, ceramic artist, Lindstrom, MN, Atrium, Art and Design Building.

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October 26-29, 7:30p.m. – *Skin*, by Naomi Izuka, directed by Rachel Hanks, Student Experimental Theater Organization, Metcalf Theater.

October 28, 2:00p.m. - 4:30p.m. – Arts Alumni Round Table, Lovejoy Library Auditorium. Alumni from the Departments of Art & Design, Music, and Theater & Dance discuss their careers as artists.

October 30, 2:00p.m. – *Skin*, by Naomi Izuka, directed by Rachel Hanks, Student Experimental Theater Organization, Metcalf Theater.

October 30, 3:00p.m. – Faculty Recital, James Hinson, Clarinet and Saxophone, Lan Sin Lim, Piano, Dunham Hall Choral Room #1109.

October 31 – What's Black and White and..., New Wagner Gallery, Art and Design Building.



Sports Quote of the Day

"Everything I was, physically and mentally, that's what I put on that field."

~Steve Carlton on Busch Stadium



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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2005

Cougars break out the brooms

Volleyball team recovers from losses with three straight-set victories

MATTHEW BRUCE
SPORTS EDITOR

Spring may be months in the rear view, but the SIUE volleyball team has been cleaning up quite effectively as of late.

The Cougars swept the Kentucky Wesleyan College Panthers and mopped the floor with the Tiffin University Dragons over the weekend. The Cougars then used some elbow grease to wipe the University of Southern Indiana Eagles off the Vadalabene Center floors in straight sets Tuesday night.

The Cougars began their onslaught with a road victory over KWC Saturday, notching their first win of the season against a Great Lakes Valley Conference opponent.

SIUE was in rare form as it tallied a season high .339 hitting percentage, while the Panthers were plagued by errors and hit a



JEFF RULE/ALESTLE

SIUE sophomore outside hitter Kim Potthast delivers a serve during Tuesday night's game against the University of Southern Indiana. Potthast is third on the team with 138 kills this season.

measly .019.

SIUE was never in any real danger as it took each set by double digits, breezing to a 30-

14, 30-15, 30-18 victory.

Senior middle hitter Heather Bonde patrolled center court like a watch dog and poured in 10

kills for SIUE, while freshman Mallory Clements and senior Krystal Majernik combined for 38 assists.

The Cougars, who lead the GLVC in blocks per contest with 2.93, out-blocked KWC 9-1.

SIUE made no haste in traveling to Evansville, Ind., for a nightcap against Tiffin later in the day.

The Dragons proved to be no match as SIUE sailed along to another straight set sweep, winning 30-17, 30-16, 30-22.

Bonde, who leads the team in kills and points, came up big again. She notched 16 more kills to go along with senior Kindra Westendorf's 12 kills.

SIUE senior Allison Buss delivered a dozen digs, while Majernik dished out 33 assists on the match. The Cougars were lights out again, hitting a whopping .340.

SIUE looked to improve its GLVC mark to 2-2 as it headed

into Tuesday's home affair against conference rival Southern Indiana. The Cougars had lost four games in a row to USI and had not beaten them since Sept. 20, 2003.

SIUE came out and stomped the Screaming Eagles in the first set, winning 30-14. USI put up a fight in set two, but the Cougars overcame the surge and took it 32-30. SIUE needed to come back from a 14-7 deficit to win the match in a close 30-28 third set.

The Cougars hit .282 on the game to bring their overall season record to 12-5.

SIUE freshman Kate Hofeldt and Bonde both had 11 kills. Majernik added 40 assists and 10 digs, while Buss, who leads the GLVC in digs averaging 5.55 per game, poured in 10.

The Cougars face off against another GLVC opponent in Drury University at 7 p.m. Friday at the Vadalabene Center.

Men's golf takes sixth at regionals

JANELLE DOBSON
SPORTS REPORTER

The SIUE men's golf team continues to make a name for itself in its first year back into intercollegiate action after a 10-year hiatus.

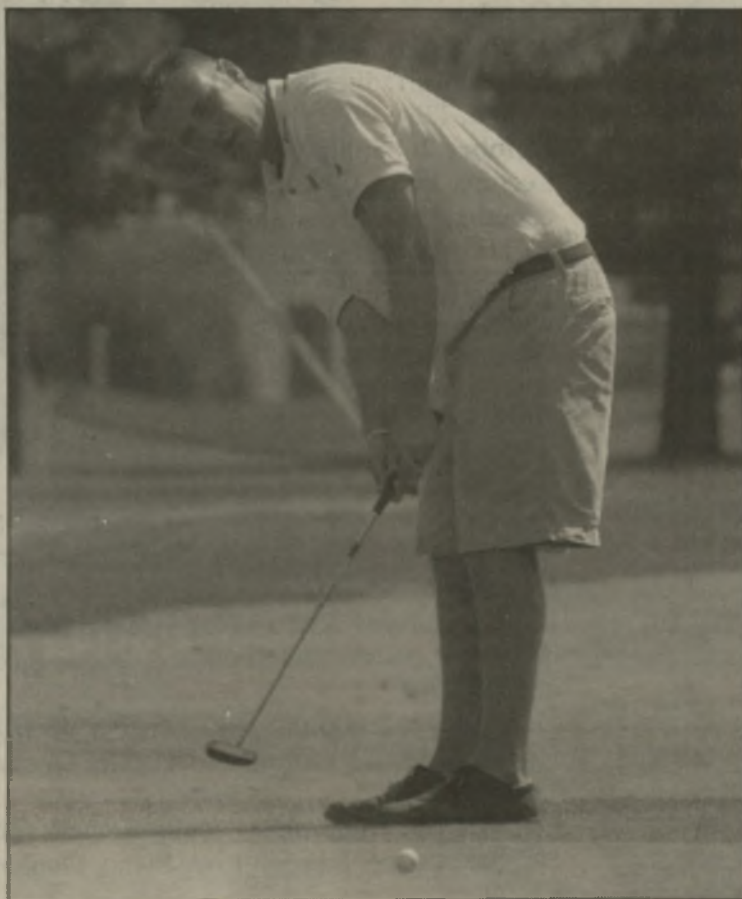
The Cougars tied for sixth out of 20 teams who competed in the Great Lakes Regional in South Haven, Mich., Sunday and Monday.

"I think the guys did great," SIUE Men's Golf Head Coach Mark Marcuzzo said. "For the first year of the program, I think we made a statement to the conference and to the region that SIUE men's golf is strong."

SIUE junior Kyle Gansauer made a statement of his own at the Great Lakes Regional. Gansauer tied for first place with Adam Miller of Saginaw Valley State and earned medalist honors.

"He played absolutely fantastic," Marcuzzo said of Gansauer's performance. "It's quite an accomplishment,"

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KATIE GROTH/ALESTLE

SIUE junior Craig Heinzmann putts during a home golf tournament.

Women's golf team looks for missing link

JANELLE DOBSON
SPORTS REPORTER

There was no celebration on the greens after the final hole was finished this weekend.

The SIUE women's golf team placed fourth in the Indiana Fall Classic, but this was not suitable for the women's team.

"I don't think any of the girls are happy at all," SIUE Women's Golf Head Coach Mark Marcuzzo said. "We really feel like we could have won that tournament, and there's some disappointment."

Swinging her way into seventh place for the Cougars was junior Ashley Hemann, who shot a 79.

"She played real well," Marcuzzo said. "She's got a real nice game and has the potential to really do well at conference."

An injured junior Brittany Hood walked away with 22nd

place. According to Marcuzzo, Hood has been battling a knee injury all season.

"She's playing pretty good for having that problem," he said.

SIUE junior Danielle Kaufman shot an 85, and is looking to improve her score at the regional tournament.

"I think she knows she can play better and I think she will," Marcuzzo said.

SIUE sophomores Natalie Connaway and Kelly Morris also contributed to the team's fourth place finish. Connaway shot an 85, and Morris finished with a 90.

The team will finish its fall season at the Great Lakes Valley Conference Regional Tournament, which begins Oct. 2, and runs through Oct. 4. The Cougars will have redemption on their minds.

"Hopefully they can remedy that disappointment this weekend at conference," Marcuzzo said.

Busch memories will be cherished, old stadium has run its course



JOE VANZO
SPORTS STRINGER

In the coming months, Busch Stadium will be a memory. Nearly 40 years of St. Louis Cardinals baseball memories will be without a home.

I'm sure everyone has his or her fondest recollections. I remember when my family took me to my first game. I was five. I saw one Hall of Famer (Ozzie Smith) and one future Hall of Famer (Tony Gwynn) play that

Don't get me wrong; the atmosphere cannot be matched by other venues. The fans pack the place. They're passionate and for the most part they are knowledgeable and respect the game and opponents. The fans are tremendous; the stadium is not.

The place was designed for football. Sight lines in nooks and crannies leave a lot to be desired. Its "cookie-cutter" shape's best days were behind it long ago, and the stadium lacks personality with a very small view of the city from inside. I love the team and organization, but the venue is "Plain Jane."

I've been to about a dozen other Major League Baseball stadiums, and with the exception of a select few, they all trump Busch from an aesthetic standpoint. "Old Busch" inevitably will come down and in my eyes it is for the better. The only question is when.

"And the stadium lacks personality with very little view of the city from inside. I love the team and organization, but the venue is 'Plain Jane.'"

night.

I've gone to a countless number of games at Busch since and I feel I've gotten my fill. I once talked to Jack Buck for a minute before a game.

Like most of you, I've seen Mark McGwire crush balls into the night on his quest for 70. I've gotten a batting practice ball from the late Darryl Kile, witnessed a comical altercation between a heckling fan and Bernard Gilkey and went into a state of euphoria as Jim Edmonds hit a walk-off homer in game 6 of the 2004 National League Championship Series.

All of these moments were great. I'll probably remember them forever. But the fact remains; Busch Stadium is nothing special.

MEN'S GOLF

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Marcuzzo said. "Winning first place in any tournament is good, but when you win first place in the regional, that's really good."

While Marcuzzo praised Gansauer for his efforts, he also explained that the team's success is due to every player, not just one or two key players.

Junior Kyle Lickenbrock placed 11th in the regional tournament and has helped the Cougars throughout the entire season.

"He's been playing great all

year," Marcuzzo said. "He got an eight the second day but still got a 75."

According to Marcuzzo, Lickenbrock and teammate junior Craig Heinzmann have been very important members to the team.

"He and Heinzmann have been as solid as you can imagine," he said. "The whole year they've been our one-two punch."

Matt Lehl has also been a key golfer for the Cougars, even though he is a freshman.

"He's done great for a

The two have paced the league with the most combined wins in the majors, with 37. Both are gamers that are capable of finishing what they start. They have a combined 10 complete games.

Before the debacle over the weekend in Milwaukee, Mulder had given up two runs or fewer in 10 of his last 11 starts. Carpenter had a streak of 17 starts in which the Cards have won recently come to an end. No matter how great the two (or the entire staff) have been over the course of the season, it still comes down to a five or seven game series where anything can happen.

Chris Carpenter has the guts of a burglar. His fearlessness combined with his repertoire of cutting and sinking fastballs has made him the most dominant pitcher in baseball. Will he be his normal Cy Young self? Or has his 235-inning workload finally caught up with him?

Mulder, unlike Carpenter, has post-season experience. In his four career starts in October, he's compiled a 2.35 ERA. However, it's been nothing but "Heartbreak Hotel" for Mark while playing in Oakland.

From 2000 to 2003, Oakland has had nine different games they could have won to send them to the American League Champion Series. Over that span, the Athletics went 0-9.

Both pitchers are hungry. Carpenter is ready to make his mark in the post-season after missing the 2004 playoffs with an arm injury. Mulder is ready to silence the critics that point to his second half fade in 2004 that caused Oakland to miss the playoffs for the first time since 1999.

So the questions for Carpenter and Mulder are: were these last two starts where they gave up a combined 16 earned runs just a bump in the road? Will their hot streak cool off as the weather does?

If it was just a bump, chalk up a second consecutive pennant and a World Series title. If not, the implosion at Busch will come sooner rather than later.

freshman and he's got a lot of potential," Marcuzzo said. "He's handled all the pressure and done real well."

SIUE junior Brian Kuddes has also contributed in the team's first year back.

"He's as good as anybody on our team," Marcuzzo said. "He just has to start believing it. He's going to really be tough."

The Cougars will take their team's success to Minnesota State University on Monday for the two-day MSU Invitational in Mankato, Minn.

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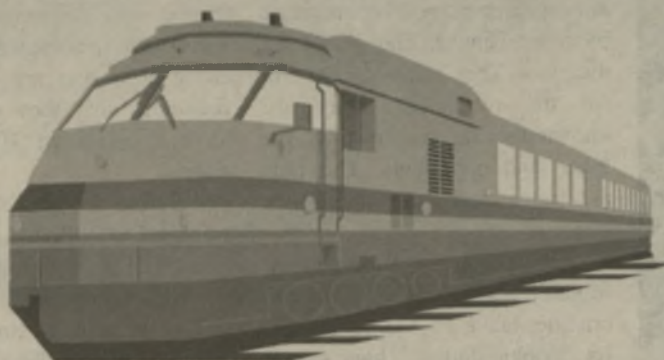
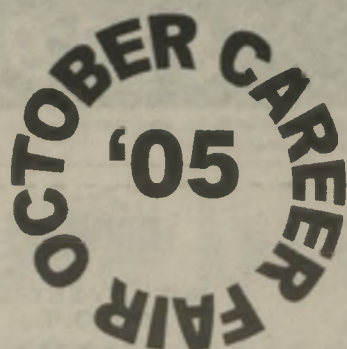
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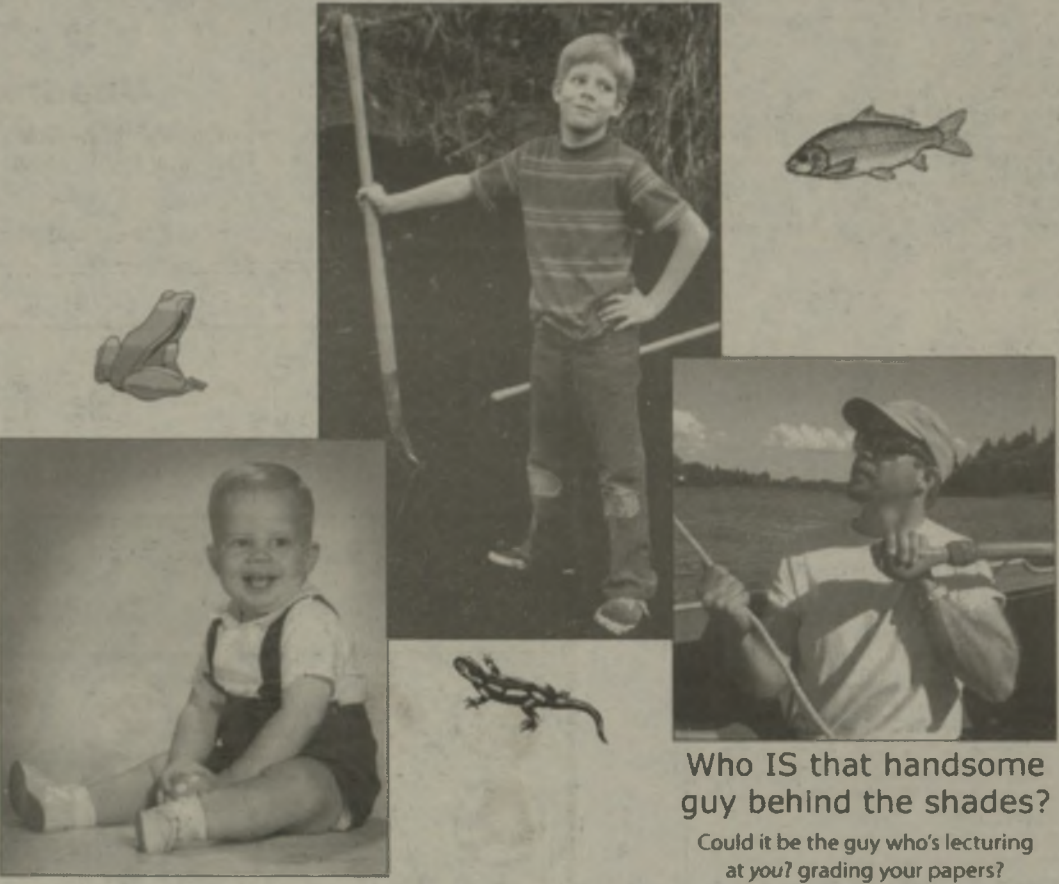
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